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1. In August and September 1962, people in all parts of the Ukraine were talking about unrest and uprisings in the Rostov area, Novochoerkassk, the Donbass, Kuban, Tuapse, and Batumi. The cause of the unrest was reportedly the 1 June increase in food prices and increased norms in factories and mines.
2. The first and largest demonstration started in June 1962 in Novochoerkassk and was accompanied by much bloodshed which included that of military unit members who had been brought in to quell the uprisings. A similar bloody uprising occurred about the same time in Krasnodar where special military units were also used to suppress the demonstrations.
3. In Taganrog, Tuapse, and Batumi, as well as other ports, there were strikes of dock workers and fishermen. The people of the Ukraine viewed these strikes as manifestations of solidarity on the part of the dock workers and fishermen for their brothers in Novochoerkassk, Krasnodar, and other cities.
4. According to the stories, virtually the entire Donbass area was swept by strikes. Miners refused to go into the mines and sit-down strikes were organized which the militia and Party workers tried to break up. They went so far as to promise the miners extra pay and rations with no effect until the soldiers and the tanks arrived. In western Georgia there were also demonstrations against the new prices and manifestations of support for the people of Novochoerkassk and Krasnodar. In some places in Kuban many people gathered at the railroad stations when Premier Khrushchev was to pass through on his way to Sochi. These people demanded to be heard by Khrushchev and in some cases even tried to force the railroad crews to stop the trains.
5. Following the uprisings there were arrests in all areas of those who had been most active in urging demonstrations or leading strikes. Many of these people have not been returned to their homes and in August and September of 1962 there were rumors among the Ukrainians that they may have been "quietly liquidated" as in the old times.

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